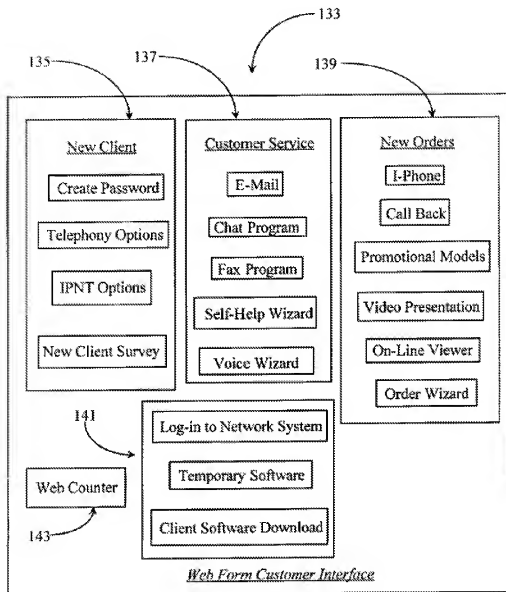


Figure 5 of Macleod Beck**Fig. 5**

By showing that Macleod Beck clearly does not teach or suggest the limitations provided in Applicants' rejected independent claims 1 and 14, Applicants have overcome the rejections that these claims are anticipated by Macleod Beck. The

remaining rejected claims (claims 2, 6, 15, and 19) each depend, directly or indirectly, on either claim 1 or 14 and, therefore, are allowable for at least the same reasons that claims 1 and 14 are allowable, as explained above.

Conclusion

As a result of the foregoing, it is asserted by Applicants that the remaining claims in the Application are in condition for allowance, and Applicants respectfully request an early allowance of such claims.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner contact the Applicants' attorney listed below if the Examiner believes that such a discussion would be helpful in resolving any remaining questions or issues related to this Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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